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WOOLEN POTENTIAL OF RAJASTHAN
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware of the woolen potentials of Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the steps taken to tap the potential and to promote woolen business of that State;

(c) the incentives given by the Centre for the purpose; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI SHANKERSINH VAGHELA)

(a) : Yes, Sir. Rajasthan produces good quality carpet grade wool. The State accounts for almost 40% of indigenous raw wool production. The State has pre-loom & post-loom processing facilities apart from the important wool mandies.

(b) to (d): Under the Central Sector Schemes/programmes being administered by the Central Wool Development Board, Jodhpur in the 8th and 9th Five Year Plans, the following processing/testing units have been set up in Rajasthan:-

i) One Wool Scouring Plant in Beawar
ii) One Mini Wool Scouring Plant in Bikaner
iii) Two Wool Testing Centres one each in Beawar & Bikaner
iv) One Industrial Service Centre in Bikaner
v) One Computer Aided Designing Centre for Carpet in Jaipur

In addition, 27 projects under Integrated Sheep & Wool Development Programme covering 15 lakh sheep were also sanctioned to the State. Numerous Woollen Expos were organized in different cities of the State.

Grants-in-aid amounting to Rs.779.52 lakh have been released till date for implementation of the above schemes/programmes in Rajasthan.